

September 1, 1978

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Re: Atlas Minerals
Velvet Mine
San Juan County, Utah
Act/037/040

The Atlas Minerals' Velvet Mine was inspected on August 25, 1978 by Mike Mindera and Mike Thompson from the Division with John Hunerjager and Dean Roberts from Atlas Minerals.

The mine is located in the Pinyon-Juniper community located in rolling terrain between Three Step Mesa and Deer Neck Mesa. The soils are typically sandy and appear to be relatively deep.

Access to the mine is by old drill roads that will need to be upgraded, widened, and culverts need to be placed in the small washes that are presently filled with sand.

Atlas Minerals filed a plan on August 23, 1978 that needs additional information and clarification. A contour map needs to be submitted showing better delineation of waste-rock piles, stockpiles, storage yards, buildings, and all areas of earthwork. A commitment to install culverts needs to be made. The access road splits near the junction to road to the inactive Bardon Shaft. Atlas needs to justify the need for the two roads.

John Hunerjager called the Division on the morning of September 1, 1978 to inquire about the status of approval for the mine. Atlas is anxious to begin construction. He was informed of the above-mentioned deficiencies in the plan and he will submit an amendment shortly.

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